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Chief, Hawaii Bureau Foreign Broadcast Information Service Post Office Box FF Kekaha, Kauai, T. H.

Dear Joes

We hope that our new station on Cyprus will be in operation by February or March of next year. At the moment we are trying to get together a nucleus of experienced technical personnel with which to start this operation. We are anxious to have it started right and it appears as though it will be necessary to take personnel from other stations with monitoring experience in order to have a good. qualified nucleus.

I would like very much to offer a P-3 Engineer position on Cyprus if he will accept it. The living conditions there are quite nice and I really think it would be a very pleasant assignment for him. He would be transferred at his present grade and salary. Cyprus, of course, pays a living and quarters allowance in lieu of a differential. I do not have the exact figures but believe that Darby's living and quarters allowance would amount to approximately \$1900 per year. Please discuss this matter with Darby and advise me as early as possible.

If Darby definitely is not interested, I should also like for you to determine whether or not Fisher or Pollow is interested. I would much prefer that Darby go however since we do not have housing available on Cyprus, which might be a problem for personnel with dependents. Hotels on Cyprus are quite good and it is really a fine place for a single person or a couple without children to live.

I should appreciate early advice from you as to what Darby's reaction is.

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